

In regarding the negotiations. The State Department has received nothing from Minister Conger to indicate that the Emperor opposes the acceptance of the peace terms. The officials here continue to be hopeful that there will be an early acceptance. The points referred to as objectionable to the Chinese, chiefly the maintenance of legation guards, are regarded here as likely to form serious barriers to an agreement, as all of the powers probably will give visible evidence at an early day of their purpose to reduce the legation guards as soon as China shows good faith in accepting the conditions. It is believed that the reported opposition of the Emperor will not lead to a rejection of the demand, but to the adoption of a counter-proposition of inquiry from China. This is considered the natural course of diplomatic controversy, and it would have the advantage of China of saying her rights to accept the terms at a later period, while in the meantime seeking to reduce their severity.

FEELING OF INSECURITY.
HOSTILE MEETINGS FREQUENT.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Peking says the last two days have witnessed frequent hostile meetings between Chinese bands and allied troops. German, French and Japanese troops were seen in the streets, and the feeling of insecurity is growing.

DIVISION OF COUNTRY.
GERMANS PUT PROCLAMATION.
LONDON, Dec. 28.—(By Atlantic Cable.) The proclamation announcing the division of the country around Peking, Pao Ting Pu and Tien-Tsin into districts placed several under the control of the different military commanders, and the Morning Post from Peking, dated December 28, in the German section only. It recognizes the Chinese military and civil governors, but makes no reference to Count Von Waldersee.

"Germany's action," says the correspondent, "is arranged. She formerly never now recognizes Chinese authority."

The largest districts, the dispatch points out, have been allotted to the Germans and French troops.

"It is announced from Peking," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, "that the Emperor K'ang Hsi has selected Gen. Ma Yu Kun to command the advance bodyguard when the court proceeds to Peking."

EXPEDITIONS LEAVING.
AMERICANS AMONG THEM.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(By Atlantic Cable.) The War Office has received the following dispatch from Count Von Waldersee:

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HUMAN FLESH SOLD
IN CHINESE MARKETS.
CANNIBALISM RAMPANT OWING TO THE FAMINE.

Many Deaths from Starvation in the Province of Shan Si—Proclamation by "Banner" Calls Upon Koreans to Report All Foreigners.

(BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
VICTORIA, Dec. 28.—(Exclusive Dispatch.) The great famine is causing many deaths from starvation in the Chinese provinces of Shan Si, according to advices by the Peking Mail. With troubled conditions the small quantity of rice was not sown and stored as in former years, and consequently there came a famine. So great is the destitution that cannibalism is said to have resulted.

The Peking Mail correspondent of the Daily Mail writes that human flesh is being offered for sale in many villages, and the authorities are unable to prevent the sale of this ghastly food.

BOOKER PROCLAMATIONS.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—(By Atlantic Cable.) News is brought by the Rio Jan Maru that Booker proclamations have been found in Seoul, calling upon Korean Boxers to resist all foreigners, including Japanese. Similar proclamations have been found by H. T. Hick and party. The anti-foreign movement in Korea is reported to be increasing in such a manner as to cause much uneasiness.

In South Korea two missionaries were arrested and released of their host. The Peking Mail has frozen up, and fifty vessels being caught in the ice.

Dispatches from Seoul tell of the Russian advance into Korea, their capture of Hwang and Anjoon Ken. The Japanese government has made a protest against the invasion.

ENTRANCE WAS RUN OUT.
Washington County, Indiana, Citizens Demand Damages for Alleged Wrongdoing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—A. M. J. Indiana, O. has filed suit in the United States Court against about twenty citizens, men and women, of Washington county, Ind., for damages. He claims they kidnapped him January 30, 1900, and threatened his family until they were forced to leave the State.

Readings ran a newspaper in Salem. He claims the people of the county are so intimidated that they control commercial, religious and political institutions of that vicinity and when they undertake to control the policy of his paper he opposed them.

DREYFUS SETS PARIS ABLAZE.

Demand for Rehearing Acts as a Bomb.

Revival of Famous Case Now Threatened.

Rocheport's Charge Causes the Rumpus—Secret Conclave of Nationalities.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A. M. A dispatch to the World from Paris says the letter from Dreyfus to Premier Waldeck-Rousseau, demanding a new hearing has set Paris ablaze with excitement.

The Nationalists will hold a secret conclave to decide upon what action to take in view of the threatened revival of this celebrated "affair," which "will not down."

The impression prevails that Dreyfus is now in Paris. The absence of any date is pointed to as evidence that he is in Paris.

Some unusually well-informed persons insist that his letter to the Premier was carefully prepared, after consultation with various distinguished persons, one of them being especially conspicuous.

The Dreyfus letter was provoked by Henri Rocheport's assertion in the Independent that Dreyfus sent to Emperor William in 1894 a document stolen from the German embassy in Paris, which circumstance is considered direct evidence of the crime, "for which," the ex-captain writes, "I have been twice condemned unjustly."

Everybody believes that if an inquiry is accorded it will mean a revival of the case. The Nationalists are palpably alarmed lest Dreyfus's former counsel, now stronger than ever, may find a formidable majority in both houses of the Legislature; that goaded by the insults of the opposition, will order an investigation, which will result in another court-martial on the ground that new evidence has been discovered.

The wiser Nationalist heads severely blame Rocheport for precipitating a new dilemma.

The World correspondent has interviewed several leaders in the Senate and Chamber. They simply expressed satisfaction at Rocheport's dignified denunciation of Rocheport's statement, and they expect that an investigation will be granted.

Rocheport, proud of having raised a rumpus, is talking about his letter as a bluff.

FATE OF ROBBER POST.
Mail Thief Said to Have Died Three Months After Escaping from New York Jail.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—According to the World, William H. Post, the alleged mail thief who led the band of robbers in the escape from the Post Office in New York, died in a Danbury (Conn.) hospital from injuries received in falling from a wagon. He was buried and the town placed a stone over his grave.

James Schriver was arrested in Newburgh a few days ago. A letter from Danbury undertaking itemizing the expense entailed in moving a body from Danbury to West Hurley, N. Y., was found on him, and Capt. Ginty of Danbury began an investigation. It was learned that a letter had been received from Mrs. Anna Kells of Newburgh, Post's mother, asking about her boy. A description of "Mason" tallied with that of the missing Post, even to the absence of two fingers on the right hand.

EX-CONVICT COMMITS MURDER.
DEKALB (Mo.), Dec. 28.—Charles May, ex-convict, shot and killed Robert Martin and fatally wounded John McGee at a dance near here last night. May was recently released from the State penitentiary, where he had served a term for murder. He has not been apprehended.

HOTEL LOCATION FOR POSTOFFICE.

(BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Probably the old United States Hotel building will be chosen as a temporary postoffice for Los Angeles. Telegrams in favor of this site got here today in a regular avalanche, and Special-Visiting Architect Taylor said he thought he would better select this building. The whole trouble about the matter was that the Treasury Department did not know that the hotel-building owners would fit up the building in proper shape for occupancy. When telegrams began arriving saying that that would be done, there remained no objection against it. The Treasury Department people realize that it is by far the best site.

Mr. Taylor today told Representative Waters that while he did not like to make a decision now, he was more favorably disposed toward the hotel site, and if nothing new comes up he will select it.

PROF. HAYMAN'S BRIDE.

California Takes for His Second Wife a Wealthy and Famous Kansas Woman Whom He Formerly Loved.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P. M. WICHITA (Kan.), Dec. 28.—A dispatch received here says that Miss Lizzie Campbell, for twenty-seven years a famous business woman at Wellington, and one of the wealthiest in the State, has married Prof. John Hayman of California. They were engaged to be married thirty-six years ago in Indiana. Mrs. Hayman died last year, and her husband, to mitigate his grief, visited the Paris Exposition, where he met Miss Campbell for the first time since they were lovers. The old flame rekindled in both, and they were married last night.

The Wellington cyclone, in 1892, destroyed several thousand dollars' worth of property for Miss Campbell, but the good times of the past four years has made her a rich woman again. She is known far and wide.

FORAKER DEFENDS ACTION OF CONGRESS.

PORTO RICAN LEGISLATION WAS CREDITABLE TO CONGRESS.

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"All the questions arising upon the Porto Rican legislation are soon to be passed upon by the Supreme Court. For that reason I do not care to discuss them at this time, but it is in order to say that the view taken by the Congress, as reflected by that legislation, was creditable to the generosity and patriotism and the industrial spirit of the American people."

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Two vessels afire.
Both escape destruction.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—The British ships Melville Island and Almona, on their arrival at Sydney had a tale to tell of their narrow escape from destruction with all on board. Fire broke out in the Melville Island on October 24, as she was bound to Sydney, and for days her crew was kept busy fighting the flames.

THE FIRE ON THE ALMONA started on August 9, but two days later she was caught in a heavy gale, which sent her on board, and to this fact the captain says the vessel owed her salvation, for the fire was soon extinguished after the gale.

COLD WAVE COMES
AS A BLESSING.

HEAVY FROSTS BENEFIT CROPS
IN THE NORTH.

Fruit Trees Put in the Right Condition for Pruning—Grain Improved and Vegetables Uninjured—Sun Shines Again at Fresno.

STOCKTON, Dec. 28.—A heavy frost visited this locality last night and the fruit growers say that it came as a blessing. The weather has been so warm that the fruit trees have been in a state of dormancy. The frost will put them in the right condition for pruning. The grain is also benefited by the frost, and the vegetables are uninjured. The sun shined again today at Fresno.

STOCKTON, Dec. 28.—The coldest wave experienced here in some time struck Stockton last night. The thermometer reached 23 degrees above zero this morning. There was a heavy frost and even after the sun came out the air continued so chilly that the frost lingered in the shade until late in the afternoon. The frost is a blessing to the fruit growers, as it will drive the sap down for pruning and also kill off insects, which would otherwise amount to a pest.

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A large number of papers on various features of the geological features of California were read.

The morning session of the Philological Association was devoted to the reading of the reports of the treasurer and secretary, the appointment of committees and the reading of a few papers. In the absence of Prof. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, the president, the chair was taken by Vice-President Prof. E. Fliegel of Stanford University.

Prof. B. M. Anderson of Stanford University read the first paper of the day, his subject being "Notes on the respective functions of prose and verse in Shakespeare's plays."

The most important afternoon addresses were the one delivered by Prof. J. F. Ryer of Berkeley, who spoke on "Chinese Literature." Various other papers were read and discussed by the delegates.

STATE BOARD OF CONTROL.
GOV. GAGE HAS AN IDEA.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The Examiner tomorrow will say: "Gov. Gage has in contemplation a plan to get rid of all the boards of management now directing the state asylums, reformatories and penitentiaries. His secretaries are preparing a bill for submission to the Legislature. It will provide for a State board of control, to consist of three members, who shall have full charge of all public institutions."

"The Governor claims that the expense to the State of the public institutions will be much less if all are placed under the supervision of one board."

MILLIONAIRES BATTLE.
OAKLAND CLAIMS LAND.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
OAKLAND, Dec. 28.—Oakland is soon to have a battle in the courts with a number of its millionaire residents. Lake Merritt, which has been a main topic and misnomer carried away.

SAFELY WRECKED AT SAN JOSE.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
SAN JOSE, Dec. 28.—The safe in the office of the Red Star Laundry Association was blown open with dynamite by burglars last night. About midnight parties in the neighborhood heard a muffled explosion, but no investigation was made. This morning it was found that not only had the safe been blown open, but the entire office wrecked by the force of the shock.

THOUGH THE door was opened, the burglars were unable to reach the cash, which was in a lock box in the interior of the safe. This is the second burglary here this year in which dynamite was used.

PETITIONS IN INSOLVENCY.
FIVE FOR DISTRICT COURT.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Petitions in insolvency were filed in the United States District Court today as follows: Edith E. Ayer, schoolteacher, San Jose; liabilities \$50,000, no assets. Her failure is merely as a stockholder in the bankrupt Union Savings Bank of San Jose.

H. L. Shannon, mining engineer, Redding; liabilities \$204, no assets. John J. Odell, brakeman, Sacramento; liabilities \$25, no assets. J. J. Higginbotham, Knight's Landing, Yolo county, hotel keeper; liabilities \$250, no assets.

Henrietta Scott, San Rafael; liabilities \$550, no assets.

RECORD PRUNE CROP.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
SAN JOSE, Dec. 28.—The clear, cold weather prevailing here at present is most satisfactory to both farmers and orchardists. All branches of agriculture are progressing rapidly, and the cold weather will prevent the fruit trees budding early enough to be nipped by spring frosts. From present indications it is probable that the prune crop next year will be larger than ever before in the history of the valley.

Much uneasiness prevails here over the present stagnation in the prune market. Ninety million pounds of dried prunes are stored in the warehouses of the Cured Fruit Association, with no prospect of immediate shipment, as the eastern market is dead. Usually this late in the shipping season the larger part of the crop has been disposed of.

GEOLGY AND PHILOLOGY.
SIERRA MADRE AND ARIZONA.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The second annual meeting of the Geological Association of America and the Philological Association of the Pacific Coast convened today in a room in a cheap lodging-house. Foster is a bankrupt and without friends. He is a victim of paralysis. At one time he was one of the best-known sporting men on the Coast.

BLOW-UP AT BIGGS.
SAFE WRECKERS GET NOTHING.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
BIGGS, Dec. 28.—This morning a heavy report started the town, and upon investigation the safe of the Sierra Lumber Company was found completely demolished and the office badly wrecked. Superintendent Ricker says that the burglars got nothing of any value, as he never keeps money in the safe. In fact, it was locked and was only used to keep the books in.

GOOSE FOUND GOLD.
NEW WESTMINSTER SENSATION.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
VANCOUVER (B. C.), Dec. 28.—A mild sensation has been caused in New Westminster by the discovery of \$12,000 in coarse gold as big as flaxseed in the crop of a wild goose which was killed at Pitt Lake, twenty-eight miles from Westminster. Many prospectors have started for the scene of the supposed gold placers.

SIX JAPS KILLED.
STRUCK BY FREIGHT TRAIN.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
SPOKANE (Wash.), Dec. 28.—Six Japanese section laborers on the Great Northern Railway were struck and killed by a freight train near Culbuck, Mont., last night. The bodies have been taken to Kalispell.

SHIPS FROM ALASKA.
NO NEWS FROM TILLAMOOK.
BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—P.M.
SEATTLE, Dec. 28.—The steamer Bertha, which arrived today from Copper River, brings no news of the overdue Alaska mail steamer Tillamook, other than that the latter sailed from Port Valdes for Dutch Harbor November 14, and had not returned when the Bertha departed from Valdes, December 15.

The steamer Dolphin, from Skagway, reports that the steamer City of

Topka was about to be floated December 25, when the vessel passed Sullivan Island, on the rocks of which the Topka piled up three weeks ago. Sixty Southeastern Alaska and Klondike passengers returned on the Dolphin.

BRIEF COAST DISPATCHES.
Fell Dead from Cultivar.
SAN JOSE, Dec. 28.—W. D. Ragna, foreman of the Minter ranch near Evergreen, fell from a cultivator this afternoon and was picked up dead. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause.

Italians Cannot Bury.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—In the case of the Italian Mutual Benevolent Society against the city and county of San Francisco, the Supreme Court has sustained the ordinance of the Board of Supervisors prohibiting burials in the city cemetery.

Sensational Suicide at Armo.
SALINAS, Dec. 28.—John E. Harrison, a Southern Pacific employe, committed suicide in a sensational manner at Armo. He visited the postoffice and shot himself, falling dead on the feet of Miss Dudley, the postmistress, with whom he was infatuated.

Challenger Loses Mast.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The ship Challenger, bound from Oyster Harbor for the Hawaiian Islands with a cargo of coal, lost her mast while on her main topmast and mismaneuvered carried away.

To Test Eight-hour Law.
OAKLAND, Dec. 28.—The eight-hour State law is to be tested in the courts here. John Worthington, a contractor, did some work for the city. His claim for \$500 is now held up on the ground that he made his men work over eight hours a day. The contractor will bring a lawsuit against the city to test the law.

Dr. Frank Payne Injured.
OAKLAND, Dec. 28.—Dr. Frank H. Payne of Berkeley met with a painful accident today. He was riding in a buggy when he collided with a coal cart. Payne was thrown out and sustained a fracture of the right hip.

Notes from Phoenix.
PHOENIX, Dec. 28.—Heavy wash-out in Southern California have delayed for two or three days the departure in Phoenix from the southwest.

Very valuable deposits of lithograph stone have been discovered at Verde River, south of Prescott, C. D. Ryerson, owner of tufa quarries at Kirkland, is the chief holder of claims on the land.

The Virginia Copper Company of West Virginia incorporated here today; capital stock \$500,000.

Oil Company Incorporated.
EUREKA, Dec. 28.—Articles of incorporation of the Arcata Oil Company were filed with the County Clerk this morning. The company is incorporated for a term of fifty years, with a capital stock of \$250,000.

Fire Scorches Santa Claus.
SANTA CRUZ, Dec. 28.—Last evening H. J. Ayresworth was severely burned about the head, neck and hands when he attempted to burn the Episcopal Church's Christmas tree. He was distributing gifts when the cotton bailing on his costume became ignited from candles on the tree. Rev. H. B. Callier, the rector, hastened to Ayresworth's assistance, and had his hands burned.

Chased Coyotes and Jacks.
PHOENIX, Dec. 28.—Residents of Mesa, Tempe, Phoenix and Scottsdale held a big roundup of coyotes and jackrabbits east of this city today. Several hundred Pima Indians aided in the hunt, and a big number of coyotes and jackrabbits were killed. The day a bigger chase was organized, and over one hundred jackrabbits were corralled and slaughtered.

Billy Hamilton's Deputyship.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—William B. Hamilton, cashier in the customhouse, has been appointed deputy collector by Collector Stratton, vice Stanley Jackson, term expired. United States Senator Stanford has promoted George A. Wright to the position of cashier of the internal revenue office, vice Clem Perina, appointed cashier in the customhouse.

Would Marry or Die.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—G. F. Woodcock, a married man, was charged Thursday with striking Mrs. Flora Boyer over the head with a hammer because she would not marry him. His wife, who is taking carbolic acid. His dead body was found in a room of the Saratoga hotel. Detectives were searching for him with a warrant sworn out by the woman, whom he accuses in a letter found beside his body with driving him to the deed.

San Francisco's Handwriting.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The Supreme Court today sustained the contract between the San Francisco Board of Education and a Boston publishing firm for the use of the Schlegel system of handwriting. The effort made by J. Greene to enjoin the board from using that system on the ground that the school system was a monopoly, was not published before it was granted.

Other Distressed Vessels.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The bark Cresco, which reached port today twenty-eight days from Port Gamble had a stormy trip. When forty miles northwest of Cabo Mendocino a heavy southeast gale swung up, in which the fore top-gallant yard and foremast were lost. The gale lasted for forty hours. The vessel was in sight of the Golden Gate for several days. The schooner "Lansdowne," bound from San Blas to Grays Harbor, came into port tonight in distress, having suffered from severe storms off the coast.

OBITUARY.
William Westlake.
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A private telegram received here announces the death of William Westlake, one of the founders of the Adams & Westlake Company and widely known as an inventor. Westlake held over three hundred personal patents, among the best known being the one for the United States lantern signaling universally used on railroads. He was the inventor of the first electric car lamp.

Westlake was born in England in 1831 and came to the United States in 1850. He was a member of the old Milwaukee and La Crosse Railroad. In 1861 he formed a business partnership with the late John H. Rice of that road for the manufacture of railway supplies. The firm was burned out in the great fire of 1881.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Folger.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Sarah Jane Folger, one of the oldest women pioneers of California, died very suddenly while riding on a Geary street car. She was 87 years of age. The former wife of Francis Folger, of the old Sacramento Union, and for nine years vice-president of the High School in that city. She was an employe in the public library here.

Aaron Wellheimer.
FRENCH, the largest druggist in the valley, died this morning. Deceased expected for several days. This fatal illness was a trouble with the ear, which was operated but too late, as the brain had become affected. The deceased had been in business here fifteen years and enjoyed the esteem of the community.

John Ballin.
SANTA ROSA, Dec. 28.—John Ballin, one of the oldest and best-known residents of Sonoma county, died at his residence in the Laguna district today after an illness of several weeks. He was a prominent wine-maker and grape-grower, and possessed large means. He was a native of the Isle of Man and had lived in this county almost half a century.

Moss Colt Taylor.
ITHACA (N. Y.), Dec. 28.—Moss Colt Taylor, professor of American history at Cornell University, died today after an illness of three weeks.

Rev. J. E. Martin.
CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A special from Jackson, Tenn., announces the sudden death at Clarkdale, Miss., today of Rev. J. E. Martin, pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal church. He was 34 years of age and was a native of Tennessee. He was chaplain with "Stonewall" Jackson in the Army of Virginia during the Civil War.

Dr. William C. Jones.
GRASS VALLEY, Dec. 28.—Dr. William C. Jones, a pioneer citizen of this place, died this morning from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. Dr. Jones was a native of Tennessee, aged 67 years. He came to California in 1847, locating in Turlock. He was engaged in mining and other enterprises for a few years, and after attending medical colleges in San Francisco and New York, he practiced medicine in California. He has been located for nearly thirty years in Grass Valley, where he was notably successful in his profession.

Lord William Beresford.
LONDON, Dec. 28.—Lord William Beresford, 6th Viscount Beresford, died at midnight, aged 82 years.

Mrs. Margaret Sheehy.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Margaret Sheehy died today from stomach trouble. Mrs. Sheehy was the widow of the late Robert Sheehy, and owned large tracts of land in Merced and Solano counties.

WANTS MORE PAY
OR WILL NOT LECTURE.
WINSTON CHURCHILL'S DIFFICULTY WITH MAJ. FOND.
Cancel His Engagement to Speak at Ottawa and Remains the Guest of Lord Minto—Statement by His Former Manager.

BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A serious disagreement between Winston Churchill and his manager, Maj. Fond, threatens to bring Churchill's lecture tour in America to a sudden end. Churchill lectured here to a large audience on the Boer war and was to have gone to Montreal, Ont., to speak tonight. He is still here at the residence of Lord Minto, whose guest he is while in Ottawa, and has canceled his engagement for the night in spite of his manager's protests.

Churchill signed a contract with Fond to deliver fifty lectures in America, fifteen of which have been given. Churchill says he is overworked, but Maj. Fond says the lecturer has gone on a strike for more pay. Fond said: "Churchill notified me he would not give any more lectures. The contract with Churchill gives him \$350 a lecture. Wednesday night, in Montreal, we had an exceptionally good house, and Churchill claimed he was not getting enough out of it; that, in other words, he was merely working for my profit, and did not propose to do so longer. He then demanded double his contract price—otherwise he would cancel his agreement. He repeated this demand in Ottawa, to which I have absolutely refused to accede."

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Dr. William C. Jones.
GRASS VALLEY, Dec. 28.—Dr. William C. Jones, a pioneer citizen of this place, died this morning from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. Dr. Jones was a native of Tennessee, aged 67 years. He came to California in 1847, locating in Turlock. He was engaged in mining and other enterprises for a few years, and after attending medical colleges in San Francisco and New York, he practiced medicine in California. He has been located for nearly thirty years in Grass Valley, where he was notably successful in his profession.

Lord William Beresford.
LONDON, Dec. 28.—Lord William Beresford, 6th Viscount Beresford, died at midnight, aged 82 years.

Mrs. Margaret Sheehy.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Margaret Sheehy died today from stomach trouble. Mrs. Sheehy was the widow of the late Robert Sheehy, and owned large tracts of land in Merced and Solano counties.

WANTS MORE PAY
OR WILL NOT LECTURE.
WINSTON CHURCHILL'S DIFFICULTY WITH MAJ. FOND.
Cancel His Engagement to Speak at Ottawa and Remains the Guest of Lord Minto—Statement by His Former Manager.

BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.
OTTAWA, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] A serious disagreement between Winston Churchill and his manager, Maj. Fond, threatens to bring Churchill's lecture tour in America to a sudden end. Churchill lectured here to a large audience on the Boer war and was to have gone to Montreal, Ont., to speak tonight. He is still here at the residence of Lord Minto, whose guest he is while in Ottawa, and has canceled his engagement for the night in spite of his manager's protests.

Churchill signed a contract with Fond to deliver fifty lectures in America, fifteen of which have been given. Churchill says he is overworked, but Maj. Fond says the lecturer has gone on a strike for more pay. Fond said: "Churchill notified me he would not give any more lectures. The contract with Churchill gives him \$350 a lecture. Wednesday night, in Montreal, we had an exceptionally good house, and Churchill claimed he was not getting enough out of it; that, in other words, he was merely working for my profit, and did not propose to do so longer. He then demanded double his contract price—otherwise he would cancel his agreement. He repeated this demand in Ottawa, to which I have absolutely refused to accede."

Johnson's Disappearance.
Nothing Heard from the Deceased Pastor of Grace Church, New York—Health Shattered by Overwork.

BY THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS.—A.M.
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Tribune says the fact that the Rev. James Le Baron Johnson, former assistant rector of Grace church, was formally deposed from the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal church about a week

REPORTING RECORD NO LIMITS TO RACING.

Western Turf Congress
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son, N. J., Bars Boxing.

THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—By the close vote of 4 to 1, the Western Turf Congress rescinded tonight the rule which prohibited racing on Chicago and St. Louis tracks to dates between June 30 and November 15. The old rule is now rescinded, as before the last annual meeting, which allowed racing without limit.

Angleside was denied a vote in the meeting after the chair had ruled that it was entitled to one. The decision of the majority was not sustained, according to a President Howard ruling on the fact that the Chicago Club's membership did not vote until December 31, while the Chicago Club's membership did not vote until December 31, while the Chicago Club's membership did not vote until December 31.

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THE FIGHTS THAT FAILED.

ST. LOUIS POLICE INTERFERE.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 28.—Chief of Police Campbell announced today that he would not permit the boxing bouts or prize fights that were scheduled to take place at the West End Coliseum tonight. The principal bout announced for tonight was that between Danny Daugherty and Morris Rahn, who were to go six rounds to a decision. Harry Harris and Clarence Forbes were also to have appeared in a six-round "go." George Siler was to have acted as referee and Lou Houseman as timekeeper.

The Chief of Police acted under orders delivered by the Board of Police Commissioners, immediately after the fatal prize fight at the Fourteenth-street Theater last winter. This order empowered the Chief to interfere and arrest participants in any prize fights for money that might take place in St. Louis.

LIUT. GIBSON DEAD.

RESULT OF BEING "FIRED."
THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—The Tribune says that Lieut. Gibson, an even-money favorite for the American Derby last summer, in which race he ran a poor third, after having performed brilliantly in Kentucky, winning the Derby and the Clark stakes in record time, died a week ago last Tuesday at Washington Park tract, after suffering for several months from the effects of being "fired."

Charles H. Smith, the owner, at one time refused an offer of \$30,000 for him. After the colt's remarkable work in Louisville and Cincinnati and his poor showing in the American Derby, the general opinion was that Gibson had been given too much fast work in preparation for the big race here. A little later came the news that he had broken down and had been fired for a hoveled tendon.

BOXING TOO TAME.

BOUTS BARRED AT PATERSON.
THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M. PATERSON (N. J.), Dec. 28.—Chief of Police Graul issued an order today prohibiting the holding of boxing bouts in this city in the future. The Chief's order is believed to be the result of the outcome of the bout last night before the Passaic County Athletic Club between "Myrtles" Billy Smith and "Young" Mahoney of Philadelphia. The audience was much dissatisfied because the same fight was declared no contest.

DUEL OF GAMBLERS.

THREE MEN STOP BULLETS.
THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—A.M. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—In a duel between Myrtle McDonald and Thomas Kennedy in a Harlem cafe today, the latter was hit in the leg by a bullet and two bystanders, Edward Courtney and George Price, were probably fatally wounded.

The incident between McDonald and Kennedy grew out of the former winning \$1000 in Kennedy's poolroom on a ten-to-one shot some time ago.

LESTER REID'S PLANS.

FINDLAY (O.), Dec. 28.—Lester Reid, the jockey, has started for California on a business mission. It is said that he has received a letter from Richard Hendricks, who has purchased three of the fastest horses in the country for his stable in England. Reid will incidentally take in some racing events and invest some of his money in a fruit ranch in the vicinity of San Jose, Cal.

BETTING DISAPPROVED OF.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Road Drivers' Association of New York, through its Executive Committee, has placed itself on record as disapproving of betting on match races held on the speedway, and in the future will in no way recognize or officially participate in any race in which there is money involved.

PROWLING AROUND FOR EACH OTHER'S GORE.

DUEL FORTHCOMING BETWEEN TWO ITALIAN BANDITS.
Mussolini Hard Pressed by Police and Military—Suspects Treachery from His Two Companions—Kills One and Hunts for the Other.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.] NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] The Sun's cable from Rome says that the hunt for the notorious bandit and murderer, Mussolini, which has been going on for a long time, is nearing a dramatic climax. At the beginning of last week, he was hard pressed by the police and military that only two of his companions remained with him. These two men, named Jati and Di Lorenzo, were desperadoes with records second only to that of Mussolini himself. Others of the band had either been killed or captured.

Mussolini suspected the treachery of Jati and Di Lorenzo and a week ago he accused the former of designing to betray him and thus obtain the reward of 20,000 lire. He attacked Jati with a dagger, stabbing him several times and leaving him for dead. Di Lorenzo found Jati in a dying condition. He bound up Jati's wounds, and aid came too late, as Jati died. Before his death, however, Jati warned Di Lorenzo that Mussolini intended to kill him also. Di Lorenzo thereupon took to the country with the avowed intention of killing Mussolini. The two brigands are now prowling around in Aspromonte district, each seeking the other's life.

Soldiers and police are drawn in a cordon around the district, awaiting the result of the duel that will certainly occur when the men meet. Di Lorenzo has been informed that if he kills Mussolini he will receive a pardon for his many crimes. Local belief is in favor of Di Lorenzo getting the man and his pardon.

QUEEN WILHELMINA'S MARRIAGE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The Holland Society of New York received a cablegram from Queen Wilhelmina today saying that her marriage has been set for September 7.

ALGER ATTACKS NILES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Ex-Secretary of War Alger in an article in the North American Review on the "Food of the Army During the Spanish War" makes a bitter attack on Gen. Miles, and defends ex-Commissary-General Egan.



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IRRIGATION LEGISLATION.

Bill not to Be Passed
This Session.

The Time not Yet Ripe
for Such Action.

Missionary Work to Be Done
All Over the Country
for a While.

BY E. S. LITTLE.
[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE TIMES.] WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Bill providing plans for irrigating arid America has been introduced in the present Congress, and there is some talk of its passage this session. It seems to be backed by the men who are planning the great problem of irrigation. In fact your correspondent is told by one of the leading legislative agents of the irrigationists that no irrigation legislation is to be urged at this session of Congress. The feeling that developed at the recent irrigation congress at Chicago was that it would do the cause of irrigation more harm to attempt to put through a bill at this session. There are many reasons for this decision. Many good causes have been killed by hasty legislation. The main point always seems to be to get legislation of some sort. If the right kind of legislation cannot be had, promoters are generally willing to take what Congress will give.

If an irrigation bill were passed at this session of Congress, it would be a shoddy and inadequate affair. Irrigation is just beginning to make itself felt here in Washington. Two or three years ago the men who came here from the semi-arid States of the West asking that the Federal government extend its aid in reclamation lands were regarded as cranks. Today they do not stand in that category at all. Congress has come to recognize the fact that the question of irrigation is one that cooper or later must command its attention upon a large scale and on a comprehensive scale, and most of the members of Congress show a lively interest in anything relating to irrigation. Even the members of Congress from the New England States are quite as awake to the irrigation idea as are the men from California and Colorado. The New England men have come to the conclusion that the increase in wealth to the country in general as a result of irrigation will be of direct and positive benefit to the manufacturing industries of New England, because it will create a wider possible market for goods that are produced in New England. It is estimated that ten thousand eastern business men have direct commercial dealings with San Francisco, and that the trade of them sold goods in Los Angeles. They see that the opening up of arid lands in California would increase the purchasing power of these two centers of trade, and consequently increase the trade between the manufacturers of the East and the producer of the West. All of this was talked over at a recent meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Trade, and resolutions endorsing irrigation in general were passed.

The plan of the irrigation men now in to let the question of irrigation rest until the next session of Congress is concerned until a year from now, when the long session of Congress will have time to give to great questions of this character. It is believed that a small appropriation might be had as a rider to one of the regular appropriation bills at the present session, but this would do no good. The real matter is that the question of irrigation, as it becomes better understood, will cause a rising wave in its favor all over the land, and by a year from now it is expected that the merits of the question will have become so generally recognized that Congress will pass, not a small rider bill, but a great bill, dealing with the matter as it deserves to be dealt with by the Federal government, and making an appropriation of sufficient size to get the work well under way in some of the States where the need is most crying, and the actual irrigation of arid lands most easy of accomplishment.

It is understood that during the next few months missionary work is to be carried on all over the country, and a strong sentiment worked up in favor of the project. Already nearly every commercial and business organization in the United States is upon record as being in favor of national legislation upon the question, but there is still a chance for working up a still greater sentiment among the masses of the people, in the East as well as in the West.

There is just a little reason to suspect, too, that the project is being held back until a year from now in order to give the railroad of the country a chance to get in their work in favor of it. Up to the present time the railroads have had little to say about the question. They are even today busy with their stupendous consolidations, so that no man can tell when he goes to bed at night upon a sleeping car of a railroad what company will own the road he is traveling over when he wakes in the morning. Within a year or two the things will have been settled. Probably it will be found that the Vanderbilts, Edwin Gould, A. J. Cassatt, J. J. Hill, J. P. Morgan and two or three more men will have control of all of the railroads of the country. East and West—transcontinental and jerk-water. When these great consolidated interests conclude that it is time to irrigate arid America, that it is time to open up 600,000,000 acres of arid lands in the West that will furnish food for 60,000,000 people, more or less, they will be a power in turning it, and dividends thereafter will begin. The railroads are bound to be a factor when the right time comes, and against the railroads, against the boundless West, against New England manufacturers, and against the New England capital, there will arise one cry protesting against irrigation. It will be the weak, small voice of the few. The Grand Jury in convention assembled, which says the farm products of the country are too big now, and that to irrigate the West will "bust" the market wide open.

MISSING CHAPLAIN TOOK A WOMAN ALONG.

SOUTHERD HOFFMAN'S DAUGHTER GONE FROM BELLEVUE.

Rev. James Le Baron Johnson Bought Two Tickets for Europe—The Couple are Supposed to Have Left by Steamer for England.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.] MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Relatives of Rev. James Le Baron Johnson, the missing chaplain of the New York fire department, are in Montreal, and have discovered that he sailed by the Allen line steamer Tunisian on the 18th inst. for England. He arrived in Montreal December 8, and with one of his trunks went to the Windsor Hotel. It is thought he was alone. He registered as Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, Louisville, Ky. He only remained one day, when he removed his trunk to No. 51 Bever Hall Hill, where he introduced himself to Miss Gleason, the landlady, as Mr. Ruggles. He remained at that address until the morning of December 13, when he was joined by a woman, with whom he left the city. Before leaving he had provided himself with two first-class cabin tickets by the Allan-line steamer Tunisian, and he sailed for Liverpool on board that vessel, leaving Halifax on the 15th.

Friends who are searching for Johnson state that the description of the woman coincides with that of Miss Mary Hoffman, one of the nurses in the training school of the Bellevue Hospital, New York, who disappeared at about the same time as Johnson.

SOUTHERD HOFFMAN.

[BY DIRECT WIRE TO THE TIMES.] NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—[Exclusive Dispatch.] Miss Hoffman has not been seen at the Bellevue or heard from. Her sudden departure caused special comment, because she had only two more weeks to serve to get a diploma. She is the daughter of Southard Hoffman of San Francisco.

CHICAGO PURIFICATION.
Keepers of Fourteen Dives and Gambling Houses Indicted by the Grand Jury.

THE NEW ASSOCIATED PRESS—P.M. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Keepers of fourteen dives and gambling houses were indicted by the grand jury today, as the result of the inquiry into crime and vice in Chicago. The work will be continued tomorrow. Of the fourteen indictments four were against alleged keepers of gambling houses and ten against proprietors of bars, saloons and other resorts, on the charge of conducting disorderly places. One State Senator and David Lewinsohn, ex-city detective, were among those hit by the first batch of indictments.

Those indicted on the charge of keeping common gambling houses are Foreman McCoy of the City of Chicago, State Senator John Broderick, Louis Frank, and Julius Frank; Dennis Foley and A. Bernstein.

It was asserted tonight that the voting of indictments against dive-keepers is but the preliminary action to a hard returning of true bills, against a number of prominent municipal officers who are responsible for the enforcement of all laws and ordinances.

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\$4.95 Washington mills kersey; were \$8.50.
\$1.98 all-wool covert; were \$3.
\$9.98 kersey, tailor stitched; were \$15.
\$11.69 kersey, applied; were \$16.50.
\$13.89 plush, applied; were \$25.
\$14.84 English kersey; were \$20.
\$16.48 English kersey; were \$22.50.
\$24.69 electric seal; were \$35.
\$13.69 automobiles; were \$25.
\$14.89 automobiles; were \$30.
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Furs.

\$1.69 Imitation Stone Marten Boas—were \$2.50.
\$2.69 Fitch Boas—were \$3.98.
\$4.69 Electric Boas, double length, were \$5.98.
\$10.69 Electric seal Capes, were \$14.95.
\$13.89 Astrakhan Capes, were \$17.50.
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\$21.69 Electric Seal Capes, were \$27.50.
\$23.69 Electric seal Marten Collarettes, were \$29.50.
\$28.69 Electric Seal Capes, were \$37.50.
\$32.69 Electric Seal Capes, were \$45.

Capes.

90c Beaver, black, were \$1.50.
\$1.58 Golf Capes, were \$2.
\$4.69 Golf Capes, were \$7.50.
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\$6.98 Golf Capes, were \$10.
\$7.98 Tan Kersey, were \$12.50.
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Handkerchiefs Today.

10c Hdkfs. for 84c.

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\$1.69 Imitation Stone Marten Boas—were \$2.50.
\$2.69 Fitch Boas—were \$3.98.
\$4.69 Electric Boas, double length, were \$5.98.
\$10.69 Electric seal Capes, were \$14.95.<

THE PUBLIC SERVICE—THE OFFICES AND COURTS.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY.

Frank H. Olmsted, retiring City Engineer, was yesterday presented with a fine testimonial by the employees of his department.

The Board of Public Works has decided to make no change in the width of the sidewalk for the Third-street tunnel.

City Attorney-elect W. B. Matthews has appointed his deputies.

The Municipal children began a sensational suit yesterday against Max Goldschmidt to set aside deeds and annul an agreement, on the ground of alleged fraud practiced on their late father, Judge Mascarell.

Judge Conway succeeded ex-Judge Fitzgerald yesterday.

Hanley's Supervisory majority by yesterday's recount was reduced from 17 to 2.

Partnership difficulties have taken the affairs of the Merchants' Parcel Delivery Company into the courts.

F. H. Dwyer, supposed to be a professional crook, was arrested yesterday on a charge of buncing a bartender named Rogers.

Lee Chung was fined \$5 for hitting a man who called him names. The man he assaulted was a Mexican, who was fined \$5 for carrying a concealed weapon.

(AT THE CITY HALL.)

FINE NEW DESK FOR CITY ENGINEER.

PLATTERING TESTIMONIAL FROM DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES.

Frank H. Olmsted's New Quarters Invalued by the Men Who Have Worked Under Him and the Presentation Made Public Works.

City Engineer Frank H. Olmsted was the recipient yesterday of a handsome testimonial from the employees of his department.

The testimonial was a large oak desk with writing chair, the presentation occurred just before 6 o'clock at Mr. Olmsted's new office on the second floor of the Homer Laughlin building.

About thirty of the forty-five employees in the department crowded into the small room. They had just come from their day's labor in various fields of activity. Some carried dinner pails and instruments used in engineering work.

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assistant, a position that carries with it a salary of \$1800 per year.

Leslie Hewitt, Esq., who has served as a deputy under City Attorney Haas will be retained at a salary of \$1500 and Joseph L. Chambers, Esq., will be retained to prosecute Police Court cases.

In retaining Messrs. Hewitt and Chambers, Mr. Matthews has sought not to break the continuity of the city's legal work, but to retain in office one deputy who was conversant with each branch of the work with which the office has to deal.

Met the Storm.

Covered with dust from head to heel with one hand full of rocks and in the other a package of aquatic grasses the City Attorney was sighted yesterday at the City Hall yesterday afternoon.

He had been "up the river" and incidentally had brought back exhibits of "up the river" and enough other things to fill in the pending water suit, to require the service of two lawabed to the water suit.

With the sand storm, and brought a good deal of it with him. It blew the door of the Fernando Hotel, where he stayed Thursday night.

[AT THE COURTHOUSE]

MASCARELL CHILDREN STILL AFTER PROPERTY.

HOW THEY SAY THEIR OLD FATHER WAS DUPER.

Suit Begun Against Max Goldschmidt to Set Aside Deeds to Valuable Property and Annul a Certain Agreement on the Ground of Fraud.

The difficulties that have been so plentiful in the settlement of the estate of the late Jose Mascarell, a Mexican millionaire pioneer of this city, who died in October, 1929, are not yet at an end.

Trouble broke out afresh yesterday. Suit was begun in the superior court by Constantine M. Goytino, Sylvester Mascarell and Hortense Mascarell, children of the deceased, who, by compromise, are allowed to inherit most of his estate.

The suit is against Max Goldschmidt, a German-American, who is alleged to have obtained by fraud upon the old man in his life without consideration.

A similar suit was begun by the children last January against Goldschmidt Bros. merchants of this city, who are alleged to have obtained by fraud upon the old man in his life without consideration.

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and dissolution of partnership begun by F. M. Scott, who thinks the firm has failed to treat him squarely.

Plaintiff did a package-delivery business on his own hook until June under the name of the City Package Delivery Company, netting himself about \$50 a month.

At that time Finley and he were partners in a business which had netted \$75 worth of business within three months' time, or \$25 in cash for every dollar short of that amount, with the understanding that he was to share in one-third of the profits of the combination.

Scott says he has fulfilled his part of the contract to the letter, and in addition thereto turned a horse and delivery wagon into the assets of the firm, but during all this time he has been able to draw out just \$40, to say nothing of paying out for various expenses the sum of \$25 a month.

On the 5th inst., it is alleged, Finley took exclusive possession of the partnership books, and told Scott to "keep his hands off the business." Four days later Scott went to the partnership's place of business on North Broadway for the purpose of effecting a final settlement, when Finley is charged with throwing him out of the office bodily, and striking him in the face with a brick.

Furthermore, it is alleged, he forbade Scott to enter the place of business. In case of disobedience, Finley, it is alleged by Scott, threatened to hit him with a brick.

Scott asks the court, therefore, to dissolve the copartnership and equitably divide the finances through the means of a receiver.

INCORPORATIONS.

FOUR MORE OIL COMPANIES.

The West End Company—an oil enterprise—incorporated yesterday with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 100 shares, of which amount \$500 has been subscribed.

The directors are J. Palmer, A. M. Stephens, A. A. Rogers, R. S. Dwyer and W. J. Wren, all of Los Angeles.

The Glen Oil Company, with principal place of business in Los Angeles, has incorporated with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 100 shares, of which amount \$500 has been subscribed.

The directors are J. Palmer, A. M. Stephens, A. A. Rogers, R. S. Dwyer and W. J. Wren, all of Los Angeles.

The Blue Bird Oil Company, with principal place of business in Los Angeles, has incorporated with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 100 shares, of which amount \$500 has been subscribed.

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